# **BIOGRAPHY**

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"The Flying Razorbacks"



## LIEUTENANT COLONEL JONATHAN D. WILLIAMS



Lieutenant Colonel Jonathan D. Williams is the Commander, 184<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron, Arkansas Air National Guard, located at Ebbing Air National Guard Base in Fort Smith, Arkansas. He assumed his current position in March 2002.

Lieutenant Colonel Williams was born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on October 23, 1962. He graduated from Northeast High School in 1980 and completed his undergraduate degree with honors in Speech and Theater at Oklahoma Baptist University in 1985. Immediately thereafter, he entered the United States Air Force and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant as a Distinguished Graduate of U.S.A.F. Officer Training School.

Lieutenant Colonel Williams earned his wings at Shepard AFB, Texas in May 1986. Upon completion of pilot training, he was assigned to Luke Air Force Base, Arizona where he completed F-16C training as

a Distinguished Graduate winning Top Academic and Top Gun awards. He was then assigned to his first operational tour in the F-16C as a member of the 10<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Squadron at Hahn Air Base, Germany in April 1988. In December 2000 Lieutenant Colonel Williams was re-assigned to the 80<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Squadron at Kunsan Airbase, Korea where he again flew the F-16C.

Upon separation from the U.S. Air Force in 2001, Lieutenant Colonel Williams joined the Arkansas Air National Guard as a squadron pilot for the 184th Fighter Squadron, Fort Smith, Arkansas. He has served the Arkansas Air National Guard as Instructor Pilot, Standardization and Evaluation Pilot, the State Director of Operations, and the Operations Support Flight Commander. Lieutenant Colonel Williams was employed full-time at the 188<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing as a Flying Training Instructor from January 1994 until June 1996. He recently completed a 15-month active duty tour in support of Operations NOBLE EAGLE and SOUTHERN WATCH.

A command pilot, Lieutenant Colonel Williams has over 2,000 hours flying time in the F-16 Fighting Falcon. A Traditional Guardsman, Lieutenant Colonel Williams also has over 4000 hours of flying time as a commercial pilot for American Airlines flying the Boeing 727 and the Boeing Super80 aircraft based out of the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport in Texas.

### **Education:**

1985 Bachelor of Arts degree, Speech & Theater, Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Oklahoma

1995 U.S.A.F. Squadron Officer School, non-residence correspondence course

2000 U.S.A.F. Air Command and Staff, non-residence correspondence course

2003 U.S.A.F. Air War College, non-residence correspondence course

#### **Assignments:**

1. April 1986 – May 1987 Student, Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training, Shepard Air Force Base, Texas

2. May 1987 – August 1987 Pilot Trainee, Lead-In Fighter Training, 434 FTS, Holloman AFB. NM

3. August 1987 – April 1988 Pilot Trainee, F-16C Operational Training Course, 58<sup>th</sup> FTS

Luke Air Force Base, Arizona

4. April 1988 – December 1991
 5. December 1991 – January 1992
 6. January 1992 – January 1995
 F-16C Pilot, 10<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Squadron, Hahn Air Base, Germany.
 F-16C Pilot, 80<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Squadron, Kunsan Air Base, Korea
 F-16A Pilot, 184<sup>th</sup> "Fighter Squadron, Arkansas Air National Guard

7. January 1995 – November 1999 F-16A Instructor Pilot, Operations Plans Officer

188th Fighter Wing, Arkansas Air National Guard

8. November 1999 – July 2001 F-16C Instructor Pilot, State Director of Operations

Headquarters, Arkansas Air National Guard

9. July 2001 – March 2002 188<sup>th</sup> Operations Support Flight Commander, Arkansas Air National Guard

10. March – 2002 – Present 184<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron Commander, Arkansas Air National Guard

### Flight Information: (Military)

Rating: Command Pilot Flight Hours: Over 2000

Aircraft flown: F-16 Fighting Falcon

## **Awards and Decorations:**

Meritorious Service Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with 2 devices

Air Force Achievement Medal with 1 device

Combat Readiness Medal with two devices

National Defense Service Medal with 1 device

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with 1 device

Armed Forces Service Medal

Air Force Overseas Short Tour Ribbon

Air Force Overseas Long Tour Ribbon

Air Force Longevity Service Medal with 2 devices

Armed Forces Reserve Medal with 1 device

Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon

Air Force Training Ribbon

NATO Medal

Arkansas Service Ribbon

## **Effective Dates of Promotion:**

Second Lieutenant 11 March 1986
First Lieutenant 11 March 1988
Captain 11 March 1990
Major 20 June 1996
Lieutenant Colonel 9 July 2000